Honorable Peter H. O'Meara Commissioner Department of Mental Retardation DMR Central 460 Capitol Avenue Hartford, Connecticut 06106 – 1630

Dear Commissioner O'Meara:

We have determined that Connecticut's application for Fiscal Year (FY) 2002 funds, under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (Part C), can be approved. Therefore, I am enclosing your State's Part C grant award.

The approval is based upon our receipt of your assurances for FY 2002. This includes the assurance from the Connecticut Department of Mental Retardation that the statewide system of early intervention services required by Part C and its implementing regulations is in effect.

Part III of the FY 2002 application for Part C funds requested updated information about each State's restricted indirect cost rate. Based on that form, it is our understanding that you have a restricted indirect cost rate that has been approved by your cognizant agency and is effective until June 30, 2005. We expect to receive your next restricted indirect cost rate once your current approval expires or if your current rate changes for any reason.

The enclosed grant award for FY 2002 is made with the continued understanding that this Office may, from time to time, require clarification of information within your application and appendices, if necessary. These inquiries are needed to allow us to appropriately carry out our administrative responsibilities related to Part C.

We appreciate your ongoing commitment to the provision of quality early intervention services to infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families.

Sincerely,

Stephanie S. Lee Director Office of Special Education Programs

Enclosure

cc: Linda Goodman, Part C Coordinator